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FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 1807.

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SALES AT VENDEE.

On every Tuesday and Friday,
WILL BE SOLD,

AT THE VENDEE STORE,
Corner of Prince and Water streets,
variety of Dry Goods, Groceries, &c.
Particulars of which will be expressed in
the bills of the day.

ALL kinds of goods which are on limitation
and the prices of which are established,
can at any time be viewed and purchased at the
United States Virginia district, term 1806, in a
the executors of
who was survived
and Robert, Plain-
ton Hough and

P. G. Marsteller, v. M.
FOR SALE,

An ANCHOR, of about 350 wt.
and STAY, ready fitted for a vessel of 150
tons, entirely new and of the best English
rigging. Apply to

Mordecai Miller.

March 29.

6 Hds. best retailing Molasses

40 barrels of nice Tanner's Oil.

20 bags of heavy Black Pepper

3 pipes of French Brandy

3 do. Holland Gin, and

1 box of brown Platillas.

A part of the above Goods are a con-
signment, and will be sold unusually low by

M. MILLER.

March 10.

MARSTELLER AND YOUNG,

HAVE JUST RECEIVED:
A quantity of BEEF—Boston inspection—
No. 1 and 2—which will be sold on moderate terms.

Feb. 3.

Marsteller and Young,
have just received, and will sell low if taken
from on board,

3000 bushels Turks Island Salt.

ALSO,

17 Tiers Barbadoes Molasses,
January 16.

Just Received,

AND FOR SALE BY THE SUBSCRIBERS,

2 pipes L. P. Madeira WINE

2 half do. do.

6 pipes Cognac BRANDY, 4th proof.

Wadsworth & Butler,

WHO HAVE ON HAND,

20 hds. Jamaica RUM, 4th proof
10 do. St. Croix do. 2d & 3d do.

8 do. New-England do.

5 pipes Holland GIN

2 do. country do.

1 hhd. L. market Madeira Wine of a super-
4 quarter casks do. do. 3d & 4d do.

3 do. do. L. P. Teneriffe do. do.

6000 bushels Lisbon SALT,

January 1

13 hds. SUGAR of good quality,
33 bbls. do. do.

5 pipes 4th proof Brandy

4 qr. casks Sherry Wine of excellent
11 do. do. Malaga do. quality.

Boxes of Cotton Cards

Sacks of Licorice Root and Sago

Barrels of Clover and Herbs Grass Seed

And a large quantity of Red Sole Leather.

For Sale by

Benjamin Shreve, Jun.

SEINE TWINE.

2,000 pounds excellent Seine Twine.

ALSO,

10 quarter casks Port Wine

10 boxes Spermaceti Candles

12 lbs. fresh Raisins—

For Sale by

James Sanderson.

January 19.

For Sale or Rent,

A WELL finished three story BRICK
DWELLING HOUSE, containing 7
rooms, with wash house, kitchen, smoke
house, coach house and stable and other ne-
cessary buildings all of brick, situated on Roy-
al street, a few doors from Gadsby's, and
near the market. For particulars apply to

Robert Patton.

For Sale,
A GROUND RENT of Seventy-two Dol-
lars per annum, on Prince-street.

WANTED,

A few Shares of the Bank of Alexandria and
Potomac.

Win. Groverman, Broker.

March 17.

JUST RECEIVED

From PHILADELPHIA, and for sale by the
subscriber,

An elegant and fashionable assort-
ment of ladies' and childrens' Morocco and kid
SHOES, and men and boys PUMPS and
SHOES.

Charles Pascoe.

March 31. 6t

W A N T E D,

A MILLER who is master of
his business, to take care of a merchant mill.—
To such a one good wages will be given.—
For the person who wants, please apply to
Mr. Joseph Smith, Alexandria.

March 17.

Landing,

From the brig MARY and sloop JANE,
FOR SALE BY

Lawrason & Fowle,
50 tons PLAISTER PARIS
50 barrels } N. E. RUM.
5 hogsheads }
4 pipes Holland Gin
50 boxes mould candles
200 boxes smoked Herrings
600 feet ears.

IN STORE,

30 chests Imperial and young hyson teas,
of a superior quality
10 bailes Berberon gurrah
120 casks fresh raisins
80 barrels N. E. Rum
30 hogsheads } Retailing Sugars.
70 barrels }
100 boxes soap
75 do. chocolate
2 cases cotton cards.
March 25.

For Sale,

(Now landing from sloop Mary-Ann.)
20 Quarter casks Sherry Wine.

And in Store,

6000 bushels salt suitable for the fisheries
8000 lbs. Coffee.

Wadsworth & Butler.

March 5. d

FOR RENT,

The STORE, on Prince-street, between
Fairfax and Prince-street, lately in the occupation
of Mr. Ramsay. It is well calculated
for a dry or wet goods store. The rent moderate.
Apply to

William Hodgson.

Sept. 25. d

JOHN G. LADD

Has just received and offers for sale,
67 chests fresh Teas,
Consisting of Imperial, Hyson Shuan, Young
Hyson and Hyson Skin, of the best quality.
2 bailes very fine India COTTONS.
Also, a quantity of SALT, suitable for the
fishery.

Fresh Stone LIME, and
Red CLOVER SEED.

March 9. d

FOR SALE OR RENT,

A TANNERY, with convenient improve-
ments thereon, in the town of Center-
ville. Apply to Mr. Daniel Harrington at the
premises, or to the subscriber in Alexandria.

JOHN G. LADD.

February 25. d

JUST RECEIVED

AND FOR SALE,
150 Sacks Liverpool stoved Salt, &
2600 Bushels do.

On very moderate terms.

Wm. Hodgson.

Jan. 3. d

Suwarrow Boots.

JOHN G. FRANCIS,
From New-York,

R EPECTFULLY informs the public
that he manufactures Suwarrow Boots
with all the modern improvements, warranted
equal to any in the United States. After many
years of experience in his business, he has
discovered a new method of retaining the elas-
ticity in boots. He warrants to fit the leg be-
it ever so badly shaped. He makes boots of
various descriptions, viz. Suwarrows—Fair-
Tops, Three Quarters, Corsican Spring Toes,
Duck Bills, Round Toes, Bonaparte's Graves,
Jefferson's Boots and Shoes. He warrants to
fit the Suwarrow equal to the tuck boots.—
Gentlemen will please to call and see for
themselves, at his shop in King-street, be-
tween Mr. Mott's and Mr. Hodgkin's tavern.

January 5. 66m

N. B. He intends selling cheap for cash.

Wanted to Charter,

A vessel of from 1000 to 1200 barrels, to
load for Madiera, to which immediate dispatch
will be given.

Apply to

James Patton.

March 28. 6t

Wanted to Charter,

A vessel of about 800 barrels burthen, to
load for a British Windward Island in the
West-Indies.

William Hodgson.

March 16. d

Just Received,

And For Sale by COTTON & STEWART,
Carr's Stranger in Ireland.

(Price One Dollar.)

March 27. d

FOR SALE,

An excellent Man COOK,
About 28 years of age. For terms apply
to the Printer.

March 2. d

Just received from Philadelphia,

By Captain Hand,
29 chests Young Hyson, and
9 boxes Hyson Shuan Tea, of a superior
quality, which will be sold low.

Likewise on Hand,

6 hds. good Sugar,
10 hds. Molasses, of a good quality,
Salt of various kinds,
And a constant supply of Flour suitable for
family use.

Joseph Dean.

March 27. d

Joseph Mandeville,
Corner of KING and FAIRFAX-STREETS,
ALEXANDRIA:

HAS FOR SALE,

An assortment of WINES, LI-
QUORS, GROCERIES, &c.

Consisting of

MADEIRA
Port
Sherry
Lisbon
Malaga
Tenerife &
Corsica

WINES.

Old St. Estephe Medoc claret, in cases of
one dozen

A few dozen fine old frontinac
Ditto do. best wine bitters
Jamaica and West-India rum
New-England do.
Cognac, Bourdeaux and Naples brandy
Holland and country gin
Schiedam gin in cases
Irish whiskey, very old
70 barrels Pennsylvania rye whiskey
Cider in barrels
White wine and Cider vinegar
Florence oil in flasks
2 hogsheads Havanna honey
15 do. choice retailing molasses

Gunpowder
Imperial
Hyson
Young Hyson
Hyson-Skin and
Souchong

TEAS

Muscovado sugars, different qualities
Bengal white do.

Loaf and lump sugars, Philadelphia, Bal-
timore and Alexandria.

Leiper's, Garrett's, and Hamilton's snuff,
in bottles and bladders.

Macuba and rapée do.
Clover-seed, (Penn. swarded)

Mace; nutmegs; cloves; cassia; pimento;
pepper; ginger, rice and ground; Cayenne
pepper; refined salt-petre.

Coffee; chocolate; rice; pearl barley;
London and Philadelphia mustard; basket-
salt; starch; fig blue; flotant indigo; Geor-
gia and Tennessee cotton; flax; woo; mad-
der; copperas; alum; brimstone; chalk
pipes in boxes; wrapping paper and twine;
traces; bed-cords; leading lines; demijohns;
gin cases; patent shot; brandywine gunpow-
der; Harvey's gunpowder, [the only real Brit-
ish battle powder] from F to treble sealed;
chewing tobacco; best Havanna segars.

Muscadet and bloom raisins in boxes.

Zante currants; prunes; soft shelled al-
monds.

A few boxes excellent pickles; each one
dozen bottles assorted; capers, olives and an-
ovies, for sale by the box.

A quantity of clean good allum salt suitable

To the Editor of the (Norfolk) *Ledger*.

Sir,

I addressed my first letter to you under the full conviction that something of the kind was required by the complexion of the times. That some effort was requisite to arouse the dormant, lethargic spirit of the nation, to awaken it to a sense of danger, and to call forth the talents and exertions of the country, in defense of its prostrate liberty. Should I fail in these objects, I shall surely lament it; and failing with the ruins of my country, I shall enjoy the glorious consolation that I have discharged my duty.

When we daily hear, and I fear shall soon feel, the effects of despotism; when every vessel that is wafted to our shores furnishes intelligence of crowns demolished, empires overthrown, nations blotted from the map of the world, and the sword the only arbitrament of right, is there an American who is not alarmed at, who is not feelingly alive to, the execrable tyranny recently experienced by some of our citizens from the military of the country? Success, sir, begets converts; impunity leads to iteration; one aggression excites another; the compunction sometimes felt at the first commission of injury abates by repetition; the incipient state is ever the most difficult, and power usually acquired or illegally exercised, unless timely checked, if not nipped in the infancy of existence, soon becomes so dormant as to stifle even reason herself. The crisis imperiously calls for the united efforts of every friend to the country; our rights and privileges are prostrated at the feet of the military, and by that military which should have been the guardians of those rights and privileges. Our liberties are endangered, and if the recent exercise of usurped authority be not speedily stamped with the seal of public indignation and reprobation, I dare to predict, that our liberties will not long survive the fallen liberties of Europe.

The country had not recovered from the consternation, dismay and apprehensions which were felt in consequence of the violent outrages perpetrated at New Orleans, when its feelings and auxiliaries were excited anew, by a measure equally unconstitutional, and more alarming. More alarming, because proceeding from those who should have been the constitutional protectors of the people's rights. Shut up from communication with their constituents; sitting in conclave; enveloped in secrecy, the senate of the U. S. pass an act, suspending for three months the privilege of the writ of habeas corpus; and suspending it, not only in cases which shall arise, but in those which have occurred prior to the passage of the proposed law*. This act, when tested by the constitution, will be found equally violative of its fundamental principles as of its express provisions. This act, as it passed the senate, declared "that in all cases where any person or persons charged on oath with treason, misprision of treason or other high crime or misdemeanor, endangering the peace, safety or neutrality of the U. S. HAVE BEEN or shall be arrested, and imprisoned, by virtue of any warrant or authority from the president of the U. S. or from the chief executive magistrate of any state, or territorial government, or from any person acting under the direction or authority of the president of the U. S. the privilege of the writ of habeas corpus shall be, and the same hereby is suspended for and during the space of three months, from and after the passage of this act, and no longer." From the context, it is evident that this act was intended for other purposes than a simple suspension of the habeas corpus: This act seems intended to embrace all measures which had been pursued under the president's proclamation relative to Burr, and all acts which in future should be committed. All persons who "HAVE BEEN or shall be arrested," here we see that the nefarious conduct of our military commandant would have been embraced in the law; all the violence and usurpations so loudly complained of would have been shielded and justified. The operation of this law would of course have been retroactive; and thus measures violently iniquitous, tyrannical and oppressive, would have been countenanced and sanctioned by law. What mean we by "retroactive operation?" An operation upon occurrences which existed prior to the law; this law then would have been an *ex post facto* law. What says the constitution of the U. S. states? In the 1st art. 9th sec. 3d paragraph, it declares, and that peremptorily, that "no bill of attainder, or *ex post facto* law shall be passed." Can language be more explicit? Can the provisions of a written compact be more clearly defined, or positively declared?

* See the act.

No *ex post facto* law shall be passed, says the constitution; the senate pass an *ex post facto* law—the law of the senate is therefore an unconstitutional law. Did not experience attest the truth, would it have been believed, that the senate of the U. S. selected for their virtue, wisdom and patriotism, could ever for a moment have deliberated upon a proposition in itself illegal and unconstitutional? What, sir, had not the constitution, the laws, the privileges, the rights, the liberties of the country, been sufficiently wounded, infringed and sacrificed to military domination? Was it necessary to accumulate injuries and insults upon us? Was it decent to pollute the sacred fane of liberty, by sheltering her violators under it? It is not, it cannot be denied, that the conduct of the military has been unconstitutionally oppressive and tyrannical; even a worthy senator,† one who was entrusted with the honorable mission of conveying *in petto* the execrable act of the senate to the house of representatives, has declared the conduct of the general illegal and unconstitutional, and yet for his illegality and unconstitutionality of proceeding, he deserved the thanks of the country.‡ And is it come to this, that the approbation of the nation is to be lavished upon the violators of its constitution? What, sir, approbate a man who has trampled upon the civil powers of the land, usurped the authority of the laws, and daringly infringed the constitutional privileges of his fellow citizens? And is the constitution of so little value that it is to be made the sport of every military despot in the land? The cause of the public was supported and defended by men whose abilities & patriotism deservedly rank them high in the estimation of the nation;§ the learned eloquence of Mr. Bayard was exerted in vain in opposition to the act of the senate—it passed, and despotism, military despotism, was vindicated and applauded in a land boasting of freedom.

Having shewn (as I believe) so clearly that "he who reads may read" the unconstitutionality of the act of the senate, let us examine it upon the ground of expediency. Where was the public safety so endangered as to require this exercise of the powers of congress? Did invasion resound upon our shores? Had rebellion raised her brazen front in the land? Were we not in a state of peace and tranquility? and did not the president congratulate congress on the pleasant prospect, that all our differences with foreign nations were in a fair "train of amicable adjustment"?—Here let me ask that learned statesman and republicana patriot, Mr. Giles, from whence he drew his evidence and information, that the public safety required this step, when he introduced this serious proposition into the senate? Was the public safety endangered when the persons from whom this danger was apprehended were many of them already in confinement?—Were the Spanish forces on the Sabine the evidence of terrible invasion; or were Mr. Burr's ninety or an hundred school boys|| the terrific phalanx of rebellion, which was to crush the liberties of the country? Was it not enough that the military commandant at New Orleans was continued in power; was, and yet is permitted to hold his commission, and without being called to answer for his conduct, still suffered to wreak his vengeance on the unoffending, unarmed citizens of the country? Was not all this, I ask, enough? Was it proper further to aggravate our injuries? Was it necessary to pull down the temple of our social rights, to screech the usurpations, despotism and tyranny of the military, from the just vengeance of violated law? The moment that this proposition was decreed by the senate, the liberties of America trembled and tottered to their base. Had this act become a law the freedom of the people would have been placed at the mercy of every petty corporal in the land; we might have haunted a requiem to liberty. She would have been found in the "tomb of all the Capulets." Thanks to the majority of the late house of representatives, we are yet free; their virtue and patriotism demand the esteem, and justly deserve the confidence of the nation for their prompt and efficient defence of its freedom. With that decision and just indignation, which should ever characterize the representatives of freemen when their liberties are endangered, they spurned the proffered law; disrobed it of its mantle of secrecy; burst open the doors of information and confidence to their country; and with reprobation justly due to it, hurled this banth-

† S. Smith, Maryland.

‡ See his declaration in the Senate.

§ See Mr. Clay's speech in the senate.

|| See Cowles Mead's letter to the secretary of war.

of tyranny to its merited fate. "Let it be impressed on your minds, let it be instilled into your children, that the liberty of the press is the palladium of all the civil, political and religious rights of an Englishman," is the eloquent advice of one, long celebrated for his attachment to liberty. This great truth is equally applicable to Americans, and the history of every country will evince, that with the freedom of the press fell the freedom of the nation. In our country this truth should never be forgotten; it should be the main task and vespur exercise of our schools; it should be imprinted on tablets of gold in the capitol of the nation, where the youth of the country in annual peregrinations should swear, like the son of Hamilcar, eternal enmity to the wretch who would dare invade it. But I fear, sir, it is already forgotten; the liberty of the press is already invaded; the press is maimed; the press is not free. "We cannot deceive the world by the affectation of a free press when it does not exist," is the melancholy language of the "Orleans Gazette;" its editor is imprisoned; the guardian of public and private rights is now groaning under the pressure of military tyranny, and unless soon rescued, must expire under its unrelenting persecution. These are indeed times to try men's souls—every thing valuable and dear is at stake, and perhaps even you, sir, may not dare to give publicity to these honest effusions of a mind conscious of the justice of its cause and the magnitude of the question at issue.

Every mail from New Orleans brings us intelligence of additional injuries and insults and oppressions our citizens are hourly experiencing from the military; these oppressions and injuries are not only avowed, but with audacity declared that they would be persevered in—"They have seen (say the grand jury of Orleans) with no less astonishment than grief, the laws and the civil authority prostrated before a military force—they have seen the citizens of the U. S. and of this territory, seized upon and imprisoned by that force, and deprived of the benefit of that great bulwark of civil liberty, the writ of habeas corpus—Nay more, they have seen the general commanding the American army here, come before this honorable court, and openly AVOW such illegal acts, and declare his determination to PERSEVERE in them."¶ Here, sir, we have a catalogue of injuries, insults, oppression, tyranny, audacity, & iniquity, so flagrant, calamitous, and flagitious, that the mind of man is scarcely capable of embracing it.

Ye Gods! is there not some hidden curse, Some chosen thunder in the stores of heaven, red With some uncommon wrath, to blast the man who Builds his greatness on his country's ruin?

Was it for this, that our fathers dared the dangers of the "tentied field"?—was it for this, that hecatombs of slaughtered heroes, moistened with their blood the plains of America? where is the spirit of '76, which led her sons to victory and freedom? the conduct of the commander is too daring, and too dangerous to be received with indifference and submission. The voice of liberty summons to her aid; let us arise, sir, let us demand, imperatively demand from our public servants, a speedy assertion of our rights, a prompt retribution of our wrongs. I have waited with anxious expectation an early call of congress; the nation asks it, and the times require it. From Mr. J. Randolph (whom every honest man wishes to see re-elected into the national councils) the crisis demands his every exertion from his enlightened and penetrating mind; from his stern integrity; from his inflexible patriotism; from his ardent love of liberty, much will be desired, and much may be expected.

LIBERTY. NO TYRANNY.
March 6.

* See Grand Jury's presentment at length—Jan. 27.

RICHMOND, March 31.

Examination of Colonel Burr.

At 12 o'clock yesterday, the marshal major Scott, accompanied by two assistants, repaired to col. Burr's room in the Eagle, where he was under guard, and with perfect civility informed him that he had a warrant against him on the part of the U. S. Col. Burr was now consequently in the custody of the marshal.

Within a very short time after they repaired to another room in the Eagle, before judge Marshall. The examination was a private one. There were few auditors present. The editor was not among them.

Edmund Randolph, and John Wickham, esqrs. counsel for the prisoner, Caesar A. Rodney and George Hay, esqrs. counsel for the prosecution.

The attorney of the district observed, that it was his duty to charge the prisoner present, & upon evidence which he should exhibit before the court, of the crime of treason against the United States, and of the misdemeanor of having prepared with in the United States an expedition against the dominions of the king of Spain with whom the United States were then in amity.

The evidence was then produced. It consisted of the record of the proceedings held in the cases of Messrs. Bollman and Swartwout, before the circuit court of the District of Columbia. *No viva voce* testimony was produced, except that of Mr. Perkins which related to the arrest of Col. Burr within the Mississippi Territory.

After this evidence was laid before the court, Mr. Hay submitted the following motion in writing.

"The attorney of the United States for the Virginia district, prays that Aaron Burr, may be committed on the evidence now submitted to the Judge, in order that he may be tried at the next circuit court for this district, or at a special court to be held for that purpose, upon a charge of treason against the United States, and also for a misdemeanor in setting on foot within the territory of the United States a military expedition to be carried on from thence against the dominions of the king of Spain, with whom the U. S. were then and are now at peace."

It was then determined ~~AS soon~~ PUBLIC discussion should be held in the Capitol, this day at ten o'clock, and that in the mean time col. Burr should be admitted to bail, his bail to be bound in the sum of 5,000 dollars.

Messrs. Thomas Taylor and John Gamble are his securities.

ARREST OF AARON BURR

"We have taken particular pains to ascertain the correctness of the account of colonel B.'s arrest, which we detailed in our last paper. We have conversed with his escort, and it is with pleasure that we have discovered the first account to be so much more correct than we could have dared to expect. The following statement is, however, more complete, more accurate, more satisfactory.

He was arrested on the morning of the 19th of February, instead of the 3d of March.

We have obtained a sketch of that part of the country, from the hands of one of the escort; from which the eye can at once understand the relative situation of places, to each other, to the Spanish line, and to the road leading to the Atlantic states. It is certainly impossible by any kind of description in words to say these particulars before the reader; but a few remarks may at least elucidate the most interesting points; particularly if they will accompany these remarks by a reference to Bradley's latest edition of his map of the U. S.

The town of Natches, in the Mississippi territory, where Aaron Burr's boats were deposited, is on the river Mississippi.

About two hundred miles to the east of this river is the Tombigbee river; which, with the Alabama river, conspire to form the Mobile. The Tombigbee is the western; the Alabama the eastern branch. Four miles below the point of confluence is Fort Stoddart, situated on the Mobile, and about 12 miles above the Spanish Florida line. A body of water connects the Tombigbee and Alabama branches at a certain distance above their point of confluence and forms an island, or as it has been called, a cross cut.

A ferry leads over the Tombigbee into this island; through this island the road runs to a ferry over the Alabama; thence the road leads to the east of the Alabama to a certain point; where the road diverges in two directions. The one road leads to the east through the Creek country, over the limits of Georgia, into the Atlantic states. The other sweeps to the south, crosses the Spanish line, and thence advances to Pensacola.

And here is the principal point in dispute. A. Burr is said to have asserted that his route lay through the Creek country into Georgia. Some people suspect that his route was through the southern road. According to his own reputed representation, he intended to remain within the jurisdiction of the U. S. According to the suppositions of certain people, it was his intention to seek an asylum in the Spanish possession.

Mr. Perkins is the register of the land office; in the part of the Mississippi terri-

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tory which is to the east of Pearl river.—
He keeps his office at the court house of
the county of Washington. His own lodg-
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above the court house. Mr. Perkins was
in his office, about twelve or one o'clock
of the night of the 18th of February,
when Aaron Burr and Ashley appeared
before him. The scene which ensued be-
tween them is not materially dissimilar
from the one which was sketched in our last
paper.

The reflections which followed it in Mr.
Perkins' mind, were in one respect differ-
ent from what we had stated. It was not
alone midnight robbers, that these mys-
terious strangers appeared to his imagina-
tion; the idea also occurred to him, that
one of them might be colonel Burr. This
idea was the result of a letter, which he
had received from a member of the legis-
lative council at Natches, stating the es-
cape of colonel Burr, and the probability
that existed of his passing through Mr.
P.'s village. But whether they were rob-
bers or one of them was colonel Burr, it
seemed to him too important a matter to be
passed into neglect. He determined to re-
pair to major Hinson's house. He was ac-
companied by his friend the sheriff of the
county. They reached the major's house
about 12 o'clock. The mysterious strang-
ers had arrived before them. Ashley was
in the yard. Col. Burr was in the kitchen.

It is useless to repeat the different parts
of this interview. It is sufficient to say,
that every circumstance which occurred,
contributed to give new confirmation to
Mr. P.'s suspicions. The mysterious
stranger could be no other than col. Burr;
and under this impression, which he care-
fully kept to himself, he determined to re-
pair to Fort Stoddart, and obtain
the assistance of lieut. Gaines to examine
the stranger. Day was breaking before
he arrived at Fort Stoddart.

Neither Mr. P. nor lieut. Gaines were
personally acquainted with col. Burr.—
"Let us examine them, however," said
Mr. P. "If neither of them proves to
be col. Burr, and the one I suspect, is a
gentleman, he will think himself flattered
by being mistaken for col. Burr. If he is
not a gentleman, we will not regard his
displeasure." The resolution was formed.
Mr. P. lieut. Gaines, a sergeant, and 4
soldiers left Fort Stoddart: 4 miles from
major Hinson's house they met col. Burr
and the sheriff of the county. It is use-
less to expatiate on the interview which
ensued. It terminated at last by colonel
Burr's being conducted to Fort Stoddart,
and Mr. Perkins returning to the court-
house.

"Request my companion to follow me
to the fort," were the parting words ad-
dressed to him by Mr. Burr.

On the road to the court house, he met
Ashley, who had left major Hinson's
house early in the morning; on what par-
ticular commission we shall not presume
even to conjecture. Our business is at
present with facts, and not with comments.
Ashley determined to retrace his steps,
and return with Mr. P. to the court house.
It would be diverging into the region of
comments, to account for this variation in
his journey: It is still less our purpose to
describe Mr. Perkins' letter to the colonel
of the county, inviting him to arrest Ash-
ley; Ashley's visit to the colonel in com-
pany with the messenger who bore the let-
ter; the conversation between Ashley and
the colonel; the former's description of
the object of col. Burr's visit to that coun-
try; their subsequent interview at the
court house with Mr. P.; the uncertainty
which Ashley then affected respecting B's
designs; and the winding up of the scene
by the final arrest of Ashley. Mr. Per-
kins left him in the custody of the colo-
nel.

Mr. P. repaired to Fort Stoddart. At
that time it was not his intention to assist
in escorting Mr. B. to the Atlantic states.
The event which more immediately dictat-
ed such a resolution, was a visit at Fort
Stoddart from a Spanish officer who was
conveyed up the river by the skiff of one
of the armed Spanish vessels which was
lying before the town of Mobile. This
officer's demeanor was peculiarly perplex-
ing and mysterious. He informed lieut.
P. that he should remain with him till
yesterday. He enquired for col. Burr.—
He requested to see him. His request,
however, was unavailing: He did not see
him; but he received a card from him,
which lieut. Gaines had an opportunity of
inspecting. A few minutes after, the offi-
cer took his leave and returned down the
river. These circumstances necessarily
produced some speculation respecting the
movements of the Spaniards, and it was
determined on, to bear col. Burr as soon

as possible to the Atlantic states. As lieut.
Gaines could not conveniently spare a
sufficient number of his own men to form
an escort, he requested Mr. Perkins to
ascend the Alabama river, and collect a
company. He promised to meet him with
his prisoner. Every part of this arrange-
ment was punctually fulfilled; and colonel
Burr was regularly delivered into the
hands of his escort.

WASHINGTON (Penn.) March 7.

The nostrum called MERCHANT'S PILL, for
curing the bite of a mad dog and other mad
animals, has unfortunately been too long
relied on by the people of the western
country. The following facts will I hope
convince my fellow-citizens that this pill is
not to be relied on when the animal which
bites any person is really mad. On the
night of the 23d of Dec. last, John M. Camant
of this county was bitten by a mad
wolf, which he seized and killed on the
spot, he immediately applied for and took
one of these pills, and on which he unfortu-
nately relied for a cure; to the instructions
he received from the person who gave
him this pill he adhered strictly; but on
the 13th of February he was affected with
a pain in the stomach, on which he applied
to a physician, who administered me-
dicine, and which operated agreeably to
the physician's expectations. One the next
day Mr. M. Camant had all the symptoms
of the Hydrophobia or madness, and on the
night of the 16th expired, with the excruciat-
ing pain, and all the disagreeable cir-
cumstances attending this disorder. Thus
in the prime of life, has the community
been deprived of an excellent mechanic,
and a worthy citizen, and five small chil-
dren left without a guardian, in conse-
quence of the mistaken opinion that, Mer-
chant's Pill was an infallible cure for this
terrible disorder. In stating these facts
I declare I have no intention to injure the
reputation or to hurt the feelings of any
person whatever; but as I believe that if
Mr. M. Camant had applied to a physician in
time, his life would have been spared: I
therefore think it my duty to state these
facts to the public. Besides the circum-
stances attending Mr. M. Camant's death,
will be very differently related in different
parts of the country, as I have al-
ready heard several facts misstated, even
before he was buried. If then the publicity
of these facts shall be the means of saving
the life of any human being, the under-
signed will accomplish the object he has in
view.

JAMES MARSHAL.
Brock county (Va.) Feb. 20.

Alexandria Daily Advertiser.

FRIDAY, APRIL 3.

The VOTERS & FRIENDS
of Joseph Lewis, Esq. residing
in Alexandria, and who have
votes in either of the counties
composing the district, we think
are in duty bound to be at some
pains to give him their suffrages.
The election for Prince William
commences on Monday next; those
Voters residing in the
county will of course attend.

APRIL 2.

MARRIED last evening, by the Rev. Mr.
Robbins, Mr. Thomas Shields, to Miss Mary-
Ann Gee, both of this town.

Our letters from London say, "The British
government were called upon by the people
to take more efficient and energetic measures
to counteract the French blockading
decree; and that it was in contemplation to
declare all the French islands in a state of
blockade."

(Boston paper.)

Lord Hutchinson, who commanded the
British army in Egypt, is at the head-quarters
of the Russian army in Poland, to see that it
amounts to the number stipulated by treaty.

Mr. Thomas H. Bach, an ingenious artist
of Newburyport, has just completed a com-
pound Magnet, which by its attractive powers
alone, will raise 112 pounds weight.

The independence of the judiciary on
the legislative and executive branches of
the government, is, in turbulent times, our
greatest safeguard. The constitution of
the U. S. has gone further than any other
existing charter to secure it—still it falls
short of the object. A judge is not per-
fectedly independent of the executive while
he can receive rewards and emoluments

from him; while a judge of an inferior
court looks up for promotion to the su-
preme court, and a judge of the supreme
court aspires to the chief justiceship, an un-
due bias will always more or less exist—
the presidential wishes will always more or
less sway the judicial decision—the evil is
in human nature, and is only to be guarded
against by constitutional provisions. The
sole remedy is to be found, for so alarming
an evil, in a constitutional amendment
to the following effect, which is seriously
recommended: "To abolish (at the death,
resignation, or removal of the present chief
justice) the office of chief justice of the U.
S. to ensure adequate and liberal salaries
for the district and other inferior judges,
and to make them ineligible to any other
office whatever." By these provisions alone
can the judges be perfectly freed from bi-
as; by them alone will executive influence
be completely banished from the sacred
temple of justice.

[Charleston Courier.]

The eloquent and energetic speech of
Mr. Harper, in favor of the habeas corpus,
cannot be too frequently recurred to
at this alarming crisis, when such dangerous
attempts have been made on our most
precious rights.

"Can it be believed (said he) that the
author of our constitution and laws intended
to have the first and greatest of the pri-
vileges of freemen, thus dependent on the
caprices of power, and the base complai-
sance of expectants of office? Was it for
this we fought? Was this the boon, which
our fathers purchased with their blood?
Did they lay down their lives that their
posterity might be mocked with the mere
shadow of liberty? For my part, I spurn
from me such liberty. Sooner would I
abandon my country, and take refuge in
Turkey, where by bribing well I might be
safe, than live exposed to be crushed and
trampled in the dust by the low minions of
power, the vilest reptiles in the community.
I again deprecate the mischiefs that must
ensue, if precedents in favor of liberty,
made in times and under circumstances
the most favorable to correct decision,
should be disregarded in other times, and
in situations where the existence of pas-
sions, prejudice and improper influence may
be dreaded. I trust the protecting power
of this high tribunal will now fix this great
LAND-MARK of our constitution, and place
our liberties, as far as the imperfection of
human things can permit, beyond the reach
of opinion, of caprice and of sinister
views."

[Ibid.]

FROM LONDON PAPERS.
When Mr. Fox was a boy he chanced one
day to look into a very ill written book
with fine gilt leaves. Being asked what he
thought of it, answered, "It resembles a
certain part of Africa, with golden shores
and barren plains."

Lady Hamilton has in her possession a
letter written by Lord Nelson previous to
the battle of Trafalgar, respecting the child
he committed to her care with an injunction
that she shall not open it till the young
lady attains her 18th year, of age.

A rich citizen lately deceased, left each
of his two daughters, as their fortunes,
their weight in 11l. bank notes; and on
being put into the scale, the eldest weighed
7 stone 2lb. the second eight stone. The
eldest in consequence became possessed of
a fortune amounting to 51,200l. and the
youngest, being the heaviest, to 57,344l.;
and it was ascertained on the following
scale: 32 bank notes, of 11l. each, weigh
an ounce avoirdupois; 512 notes will
therefore weigh a pound; 51,209 notes
will weigh 7 stone 2lb. or 100 pounds, and
57,344 notes will weigh 112 pounds, or 8
stone.

A gentleman one day said he had no
doubt he could carry a million of 11l.
bank notes; but they will actually weigh
1953 lbs.

A very extraordinary instance of the
premature growth of the human body is at
present exhibited at Antwerp. A male
child born in the neighborhood of that
town and the register of whose birth proves
that he is only aged 5 years, measures a
bout 5 French feet, has the voice of a man
and a beard, and can lift fifty pound weight
with each hand.

THOUGHTS.

Men are said to fall below, and again to
exceed themselves; but a discerning man will
distinguish a wise man in all his performances.
He can never long talk nor trifle like a fool.
The rubbish of Swift bears evident marks of
his superlative genius and wit.

The introduction which a lawyer once used,
would suit many speakers. "As there are
several gentlemen," said he, "engaged with
me, on the same side, it is not necessary that
I should say much to the purpose."

One of the best human maxims I ever heard
in my life is the following:—"When it rains,
let it rain."

PALMER'S Packet sails for
NORFOLK To-Morrow, wind &
weather permitting.

April 3.

Shuter's Hill for Rent.

MRS. DULANY will rent for one or two
years, that elegant country residence, known
by the name of SHUTER'S HILL, situate
on an eminence adjoining the town of Alex-
andria, and commanding an extensive view of
the city of Washington and river Potomac.—
There is attached to the house an excellent
garden, a clover lot containing several acres,
and a small wood pasture; the garden con-
tains a great quantity of fine fruit, and a well
of excellent water at the door. Apply to Mr.
Thomas Claggett, Alexandria.

April 3.

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Public Sale.

Pursuant to the last will and testament of the
late Capt. RICHARD CONWAY, will be sold,
on the premises, on the first day of MAY
next,

All his Real Property
Lying in and contiguous to the town of Alex-
andria—

CONSISTING OF

Several LOTS on Water-street,
Union-street, and Cameron-street.

ALSO,

His FARM, called Spring Park, adjoining
to the town, containing about 60 acres, in a
high state of improvement.

ALSO,

28 Acres, at present under lease to John
Gadsby for 10 years from the first of January
last, at the yearly rent of eighty-six dollars
and 23 cents. This property adjoins the town
and is part of the race ground.

ALSO,

About 15 and a half Acres, in the occupa-
tion of Beal Howard, under a lease for ten
years, at the yearly rent of one hundred dol-
lars.

ALSO,

All the rest of his Land, lying between the
east side of the George-Town road and the
west side of Fairfax street continued, and
the south of John Mandeville's lot and the pro-
perty of Nathaniel Pendleton, and to the north
of the property of the late Charles Alexander.
This last mentioned property will be laid off
in squares agreeable to the plan of the town.

ALSO,

A piece of Ground adjoining to the south
side of Spring-Park Farm, the precise quantity
at present not known.

A particular plat and description of the
whole will be set up at the coffee-house one
week previous to the day of sale.

The terms of sale will be—A credit of 6
and 18 months, the purchaser giving bond
with approved security, together with a deed
of trust on the property. The sale will be
continued from day to day until all the prop-
erty is disposed of.

ALSO,

On the 4th day of MAY next, will be sold, at
the Coffee-House, in Alexandria.

One hundred Shares in the Stock of the
Marine Insurance Company of Alexandria,
on the above credit, the purchasers giving ne-
gotiable notes with approved indorsers.

ALSO,

Two Shares in the Alexandria Theatre, of
the same terms.

William Herbert,
N. Fitzhugh,
Edmund I. Lee,

April 3.

Notice is hereby given,
THAT all persons who shall tres-
pass on the land belonging to C. W. Valangen,
situated on the Potomac river, near Alex-
andria, beginning at the mouth of Moll Frost's
creek, extending down the river to a dividing
line between him and Mr. Peter Sherron,
nearly at the lower extremity of the Pocosen,
and back from the river to the north branch of
little Hunting creek, will be prosecuted to the
extent of the law in such cases provided—and
whereas, divers depredations have been com-
mitted on the aforesaid Pocosen, by stealing
wood, &c. the subscriber offers a Reward of
Five Dollars to any person who shall give in-
formation, upon oath, so that such offender or
offenders may receive the punishment of the
law.

C. W. Valangen.

March 28.

JUST RECEIVED,
One keg of the first quality Chew-
ing Tobacco.

JESSE TALBOTT.

March 10.

